

Conserve and Save \$\$

Use Water Wisely – Its Essential

Although the water situation improved last year due to abundant precipitation in key water sheds in Northern California and the Colorado River Basin., California will still face an uncertain water picture this year. Regardless of the occurrence of periodic droughts, California has a potential long term water shortage situation due in imbalances between water supply sources and water demands. To meet this challenge, the California Legislature enacted the Water Conservation Act of 2009 (SBx7-7, also known as the 2020 Plan) to preserve statewide water resources. The Act calls for a 20% overall reduction in urban water use throughout the state by the year 2020 to ensure future water supply reliability. Thanks to the efforts of our customers, the City of Torrance has made considerable progress in reaching our conservation targets. However, it is still necessary that we all continue to conserve.

Save Water and Money - Here's How

- Don't overwater. Outside watering accounts for nearly 40% of the typical single family customer's usage. Water your landscape no more than 15 minutes per area 3 times or less per week.
- Fix all exterior and interior leaks promptly.
- Test you toilet for leaks and fix promptly. A leaking flapper valve in the toilet tanks is one of the most common reasons for high water bills.
- Adjust your sprinklers to avoid overspray on sidewalks, driveways and other hard surfaces.
- Run only full loads in clothes and dishwashers.
- Install low flow showerheads and water conserving aerators.
- Replace your older toilet with a High Efficiency Toilet (HET) model that flushes 1.28 gallons per flush or less.
- Select a high efficiency clothes washer when replacing your old unit. Rebates are available for qualifying models.
- Chose "California Friendly" landscapes when you are replanting.

For additional information regarding conservation and current rebates, visit www.bewaterwise.com.